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EDITORIAL CONVENTION.

There will be a meeting of the editorial association of New Mexico at Albuquerque, on Thursday, October 4, 1883. Several business matters of importance to the fraternity will come before the meeting, and it is to be hoped that all the papers of the territory will be represented.

W. C. HADLEY, President.

The pleasant cool weather does not leave any excuse for not going to church today.

ALBUQUERQUE is booming its coming fair. Fortunately petty jealousies are not permitted to exist in that progressive city.

EARLY in the coming session Dakota will rap gently at the doors of congress for admission as a state. If the democratic majority fail to hear her she will kick her way in.

NEARLY four hundred thousand emigrants arrived at New York last week. If they dislike the crowded cities and are willing to work there is room and welcome in New Mexico for many of them.

SMALL dealers in Texas are taking the law in their own hands and cutting wire fences by the mile. They don't propose to wait for the slow processes of law to destroy what they know is illegal.

CARP culture can be as successfully introduced in New Mexico as in any other portion of the Union. There is no trouble and but little expense connected with it, and as a food fish it is a success. Who speaks first?

THE opening of the Sioux reservation is no nearer accomplishment than it was a year ago. The dilatory action of congress has made the Indians mad, and they declare all the preliminary bargains "off." Unless the deal is made Dakota will not be as large a state as its inhabitants intended it should be.

THE New Hampshire legislature has adjourned, after a session of one hundred and two days, the per diem of the members having amounted to over one hundred thousand dollars. A number of acts of local interest were passed, but the feature of the session was the defeat of Mr. Rollins for re-election to the Senate. High as the luxury came the people demanded it and seem to be satisfied.

EX-SENATOR SHARON announces that his recent arrest is a blackmailing scheme to which he does not propose to submit. After he has satisfied the court of this fact and secured his acquittal he should prosecute his assailants to the bitter end. This is duty Mr. Sharon owes to the community no less than to himself. There is a law against the crime and it should be enforced.

MR. FRANK JAMES, the Missouri hero, chaffing under his incarceration finds consolation in declaring "whom the Lord loveth he chasteneth." If the Lord loves Frank he has not shown it to any great extent by the chastening process, and He should employ a substitute. The Gallatin jury having proven unequal to the task one of the many victims of the gang might be induced to "chasten" him successfully.

IT MAY seem like a paradox, but the newspaper guild has an organ, or at least a journal devoted to the interests of the members of the fraternity. It is a handsome monthly published at St. Louis edited by Col. "Bob" Yorkston, and is known as the "American Journalist." Sketches of journals and journalists, and other matters of special interest to the individual brothers of the craft and their friends, make up the contents of one of the most readable monthlies of the period. Good luck to the "Journalist."

THE receipts at the patent office for the year ending June 30th were \$1,095,884 and there is to the credit of the office nearly \$2,500,000. This vast sum was paid in by inventors in the shape of fees and of right belongs to them. Strange as it may seem while the money is lying idle the inventors are unable to get the necessary printing connected with their patents because an economical congress refuses to legislate on the subject. They are now a long way behind, and in many cases patents are compelled to have the work done in private offices.

THE Lincoln county stock association has formally endorsed that portion of the report of Governor Sheldon which suggests a change in the land laws so that a settler may acquire more than 160 acres of land in this territory. But they go farther and demand that the few agriculturalists in the stock raising section of the county be driven out and a fence law enacted. Just what is meant by a fence law is not stated, the presumption however is fair that it is in violation of the

er. There is clearly a clash of interest, and they should be reconciled in some manner without interfering with the right of either. There are too few agriculturalists in this territory to talk of driving any of them out.

From all sections of the country come glowing reports of the opening of the public schools, the improvements made on the buildings during the recess, the number of scholars enrolled and the new studies to be introduced. The joyous tones of the press in these matters simply reflect the sentiments and feelings of the several communities. Money is freely paid to sustain the system, and in all progressive places its excellence is boasted of more than any other feature of the municipality. Unfortunately New Mexico cannot echo the glad cry of her sisters in this respect, nor back any statement of which our people would not be ashamed. That there are good excuses for our lack of educational facilities will not be denied. The scattered population, the comparatively small number of American families, and the thus far low rate of taxation, besides minor causes, may be cited for the shortcoming. However they have served the purpose too long. Illiteracy is on the increase, and a remedy must be applied. While it is desirable it is not absolutely necessary that a territorial system should be inaugurated at once. Let the cities take hold and provide for their own children, and as occasion demands, the rural districts will follow suit. A beginning once made, a disposition shown to help ourselves, and we can apply with better grace for the talked of aid from congress. That must come in due time. A start cannot be made too soon. Now is the time to agitate the question. Schools may not be opened this year but it will be a disgrace and a crime if they are not next. Parents, clergymen, municipal officers, and all good citizens are, or should be, deeply interested in the movement and the initial steps should be taken at the earliest possible moment.

THE name of Col. John M. Chivington, which is familiar to all the old-timers of the west, has been brought into unpleasant and undesired notoriety in the states. The Colonel was a candidate for the legislature in Ohio and his enemies proceeded to unearth the story of the Sand creek massacre, so-called, and as one of the participants branded him as an inhuman monster. So great was the indignation created by the exposure statements of the would-be philanthropists that the Colonel promptly declined to make the canvass. By way of vindication he naturally turned to his companions in those trying times on the frontier and attended the reunion of the pioneers held in Denver a day or two ago. As the best answer and rebuke they could give the tender-hearted critics, the veterans, warmly welcomed and invited their old comrade to respond to the toast, "The conflict on the plains." He needed no defense in that company, for many of them were participants in the bloody conflict which for a time compelled peace and secured safety to the white settlers. With them it was simply a terrific battle made imperative by the inhuman atrocities of the Indians and the slaughter was and is justified by the necessities of the time. The battle was to decide the claims of the two races and no quarter was asked or given. It finds its counterpart today in the declared intention of the Mexican officers to exterminate the murderous Apaches, a consummation which is devoutly hoped for by every resident of the border of the two countries.

DENVER housekeepers are getting inquisitive, and want to know why beef is twenty-five cents per pound, while cattle on the hoof are only worth four or five cents per pound. The butchers are not disposed to answer, and the result is, several large families are combining and will send to Kansas City for their meat.

There is something wrong, for if there was not cattle could not be driven from the west, butchered in Chicago and transported to England and retailed for less than is charged at the butcher stalls in Denver. There was a time when dealers in meat were content to be classed as petty larceny men; now they aspire to be ranked as high down a peg or two.

THE pope's chief gifts to his recently married nephew were contained in a splendidly inlaid coffer, itself a treasure. The coffer had three compartments. In the center was a beautiful picture of the Madonna in mosaics, set in a frame of massive gold. The right hand one contained a portrait of Leo XIII, also in fine Roman mosaic, and the left hand division was filled with velvet colored caskets bearing the bride's initials in gold letters, which contained a complete set of pearls and diamonds.

Hurry up your Peter Pence, the papal bank account must be replenished.

Rapid Growth of Carp

Oxford, Chester County, Pa. Press.

It is generally supposed that fish are animals of slow growth, but observation shows that they increase in size very rapidly. This is peculiarly the case with carp, the new fish now being introduced throughout the country. Ellwood McIntyre of this borough, is engaged in the culture of this variety of fish at his father's farm, in the eastern part of the town. He has built a dam and formed a pond about 30 by 60 feet, fed by a

small stream from springs in the meadow. In this pond he put twenty carp reared about five months ago from Washington. They were then the size of a man's finger. Last week we visited the place and here we saw the fish which were shown by Mr. McIntyre one of these fish, which he caught in his hands for this purpose, and its measurement was as follows: Length, 13 inches; breadth 4 inches; thickness 2 inches. The carp is not a handsome fish by any means, being of a yellow, leathery color, but if its flesh is as good as reported and it increases in size so rapidly a pond of them would be almost as profitable as a pen of pigs.

Vermont Taxes.

St. Louis Republican.

The state of Vermont has a new assessing law which by virtue of being severely inquisitorial is very effective in bringing to light a good deal of property that once escaped taxation. Three years ago, when it went into effect, the taxable property in the state amounted to \$100,350,000, of which only \$15,037,000 was personally. Now it amounts to \$160,022,000, of which \$45,586,000 is personally—showing an increase of 45 per cent in real estate, and a trebling of the personally. There was much opposition to the law at first, on account of the search it exacted of property-holders, and the scrutiny it exacted of assessors; and it is thought still that some of its provisions are harsh and inequitable; but it has had the effect of securing full returns of taxable property, and preventing concealments—and this makes it acceptable to the people.

The Chappaque Farm.

Cleveland Herald.

The Horace Greeley farm was sold today by Israel E. Haight, trustee, in pursuance of a decree of the supreme court, dated June 4, 1883. Horace Greeley, by his will, directed the sale and the division of the proceeds among his children. Mrs. Smith, his daughter, the executor named in the will, did not follow out his instructions, and after her death Gabrielle M. Greeley, the surviving daughter, brought action against Colonel Smith and his children to have the estate sold, as directed by the will. Only one bid was made. Gabrielle Greeley bought for \$10,000 the property which, with buildings, drainage and cultivation, cost Horace Greeley over \$70,000. The farm comprises seventy-eight acres. A few neighbors were present prepared to purchase, but would not bid against Miss Greeley. No New York parties were present.

Chance to Make Money.

Boston Herald.

Mr. Henry A. Richmond, one of the democratic members of the New York civil service commission, evidently believes that reform, like charity, should begin at home. He has publicly offered a reward of \$50 for evidence that may lead to the arrest and conviction of each and every person guilty of violating the provisions of the new law for the protection of primaries at any caucus held by the democratic party during the present year in his own ward in Buffalo. If the Republican reformers will follow his example, there ought to be one spot where honest and fair primaries prevail. Now, if some way could be devised to induce the voters to attend, there would be good hope of the rehabilitation of the caucus.

Expensive Fun.

Kansas City Star.

B. F. Scott, a well-dressed young man, was charged before the recorder this morning with wearing concealed weapons. He was arrested at a house of prostitution on Grand avenue, and had a 45 British bull dog revolver in his pocket. In reply to a question from the recorder the defendant said he had no special object in wearing it, but had it on "for fun." The recorder said he was determined to put a stop to this habit of carrying weapons, and he would impose a fine of \$100. As the defendant was unable to pay the fine the sentence involves 166 days labor on the rock pile.

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